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CANCER BURDEN

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,220,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 6,800 in Maine.
- 552,200 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 3,100 in Maine.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths² per 100,000 persons

Maine: 185.4 National: 170.1

Maine ranks 5th highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,000 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Maine.
- 900 men and women will die of lung cancer in Maine.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	Maine	National
Overall	56.2	49.5
White	56.2	49.2
Black	-	60.0
Hispanic	-	19.5
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	23.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	29.5

BREAST CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 900 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in Maine.
- 200 women will die of breast cancer in Maine.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	Maine	National
Overall	25.3	25.4
White	25.3	25.1
Black	-	31.3
Hispanic	-	14.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	11.3
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	12.8

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 700 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in Maine.
- 300 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in Maine.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 persons, by race, 1992–1996

	Maine	National
Overall	19.8	17.5
White	19.8	17.1
Black	-	22.9
Hispanic	-	10.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	10.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	9.9

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2000, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 900 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in Maine.
- 200 men will die of prostate cancer in Maine.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths^{2,3} per 100,000 men, by race, 1992–1996

	Maine	National
Overall	26.3	25.6
White	26.2	23.4
Black	-	54.8
Hispanic	-	16.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	10.8
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	14.7

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2000. Estimates exclude about 1.3 million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2000. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. State death totals between 51-99 were rounded to 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1992–1996.

³ Some data were excluded because there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.